

Clinton County Justice Coordinating Commission
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MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 23, 2022 **Time:** 2 PM **Location:** Law Center-Large CR or by Zoom

Present: Becky Eskildsen, Megan Govier, Bill Greenwalt, Marlita Greve, Paul Hammond, Amy Lang, Scott

Maddasion, Kim Ralston, Greg Reckman, Rich Schmitz, Kim Shepherd, Dan Srp, Jack Wolfe

Staff: Vacant (Coordinator), Amanda Schwartz (Secretary)

Quorum: Yes (10 present, 9 needed)

Public: Dominic Capella

1. Call to Order and Introductions – Supervisor Srp opened the meeting at 2:02 PM.

- 2. Approval of 1/19/2022 Minutes A motion to approve the January 19, 2022 meeting minutes was moved by Sheriff Greenwalt and seconded by Lt. Hammond. Motion passed all ayes
- **3. Financial Report** Sheriff Greenwalt reported the budget to be the same as January at 98.81% with \$9,881.02 remaining. A motion to approve the financial report as presented was made by Lt. Hammond and seconded by Greg Reckman. Motion passed all ayes
- **4. Discussion: Possibility of State funding for Jail Diversion & Mental Health Drug Court position (Greg Reckman)** Supervisor Srp provided an update from Waylyn McCulloh who stated additional funding has been requested through an outside federal grant. Waylyn stated he feels confident that Greg's position will continue to be funded. Greg provided an update on the progress of the re-entry section as part of his role in his position.
- 5. Review by-laws/ fill community representative Currently there is a vacancy for the Citizen at large (county member) position due to the resignations of Carole Dunkin effective 12/31/2021. In years past, this position was filled by a referral from a commission member. The Sheriff discussed having two citizen at large representatives. Supervisor Srp stated in years past, there were two citizen members, one from rural DeWitt and the second from the city of Clinton and since there was an additional City of Clinton member added as the Clinton Mayor then the commission voted to remove the City of Clinton citizen at large position.

Judge Greve stated her nephew; Dustin Johnson the Clinton County Treasurer was interested in being a citizen member of the commission. There was one public member present named Dominic Capella. Supervisor Srp allowed Dominic to introduce himself and welcomed him to the meeting.

The Sheriff suggested having (2) two Citizen at large positions and opening them up to the public to complete and submit a brief application. Supervisor Srp suggested having one citizen at large with a second member to be noted as an alternate. The Sheriff suggested having a handout that includes a statement/mission about the commission and asking for a letter of interest from community members interested in joining the commission. He also suggested including contact information from some of the CCJCC members incase an interested person has further commission questions. Supervisor Srp offered to work on the handout and commission application. He will then send the documents to Amanda Schwartz to review and make accessible to the public by posting on social media page and county website.

6. Committee Reports and Discussion

Alternative Sanctions & Diversions: Greg Reckman stated there were 8 people in Clinton County Drug Court and an additional 2 people that are part of the Clinton County Drug Court and also have Scott County cases that they are being supervised in Scott County. There is one more that will be entering the program next week. There are 3 people from Mental Health Court along with some referrals. Greg stated there is one person in the latter phase of Drug Court that may have a graduation ceremony in the fall. This is approximately an 18 month program.

<u>Court Issues</u>: Judge Greve stated during the last meeting that there were some PSI issues. Also discussed in the last meeting was the poor condition of some of the courtroom chairs. The judicial branch has designated some funds to be used to replace the chairs.

Jail Programming & Reentry: Lt. Hammond reported the current jail population is at 76 inmates which includes the out of county inmates. Sheriff Greenwalt provided updates on the jail including moving the jail mental health professional into a larger office that is more feasible for her to meet with inmates to provide services to. She also received a large TV to be mounted on her wall to allow inmates to be able to view videos instead of the MH professional using her personal cell phone. The county board of supervisors recently approved the addition of jail staff being hired in order to have better staff coverage in the jail. Sheriff Greenwalt also shared the progress of the Resource Center. There has been some discussion on using available donation funds to purchase some bus passes after learning how transportation is a big challenge for clients that come into the Resource Center. A Byrne JAG grant application was submitted to cover 1.5 employees to work out of the Resource Center. The status of the grant application award should be determined this summer. The FY 2022 CCJCC budget has been reduced to \$1,000 and the remaining \$9,000 will be allocated to the Resource Center budget under the Sheriff's Office for operational expenses.

<u>Mental Health/Substance Abuse</u>: Jen Craft and Christine Gradert will be guests at the May CCJCC meeting to share updates about the new services available from the Eastern Iowa Region Crisis System.

- 7. **Open Forum** Sheriff Greenwalt stated appreciation to the jail staff and other CCJCC members that meet every other week for the high utilizer meeting to discuss available services for current inmates as well as meeting to resolve a recent treatment conflict for one of the inmates.
- **8.** Adjournment Supervisor Srp made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:46 PM. Motion passed all ayes. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 2 PM. Agenda items can be emailed to Amanda Schwartz.